The Guam Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics is pleased to release the <u>June</u> <u>2010 Current Employment Report</u> . (pdf format)

Employment Highlights

The total number of jobs on Guam increased over the latest year by nineteen hundred in the June 2010 preliminary statistics, showing a continuing recovery from the weak June and September 2009 figures. While June employment in both private and public sectors declined seasonally, from March, it is well above the comparable June period a year ago. Increased construction, increased visitor arrivals and increased federally funded government of Guam jobs each contributed.

Over the latest year, the private sector job count increased by 1,280 jobs, led by an increase in Construction and Services, with 510 and 410 jobs added respectively.

Federal employment was unchanged this quarter, it was up by 30 jobs from the prior year's figures. Government of Guam employment declined by 820 jobs for the quarter due to the usual seasonal reduction in educational institutions, although it was up 590 from the comparable March period a year ago. Federally funded temporary jobs for the Decennial Population Census and American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project positions boosted the Government of Guam job count.

In the latest quarter, private average hourly earnings were unchanged, however, average weekly hours paid and average weekly earnings increased. Private average weekly hours paid increased from 34.9 in June 2009 to 36.4 in June 2010 and average weekly earnings increased correspondingly from \$405.05 to \$444.36 or by 9.7 percent.